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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Wilfred H. Nelson et al.

GROUP: 1641

SERIAL NO: 08/818,534

EXAMINER: C. Spiegel

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FOR: DIRECT DETECTION OF BACTERIA-ANTIBODY COMPLEXES
VIA UV RESONANCE RAMAN SPECTROSCOPY

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

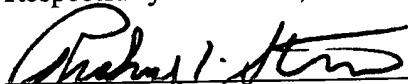
Sir:

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a), petition is made for a three month extension of time to file the response which was due on September 8, 1998, the response now being due on or before December 8, 1998. The response is the filing of a Continued Prosecution Application, which CPA application is being filed concurrently in this application.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$435.00 for the extension fee. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any further extension and/or fee that is required to Deposit Order Account 19-0079.

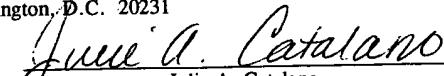
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